

Title (en)  
Toner hopper

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Tonervorratsbehälter

Title (fr)  
Réservoir de distribution de toner

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP0525471A2] A vibrating member (3) having an elasticity is provided in which an end A thereof is mounted to a rotating part (6) in a toner conveying section (4) and which has a size such that the other end B thereof extends far beyond the tip of a blade (5) of the rotating part (6), whereby the rotation of the rotating part (6) causes the other end B of the vibrating member (3) to collide with the opening or inner wall of a toner cartridge (1). This collision allows a toner to drop efficiently, prevent the toner from being blocked, and noise to be reduced. <IMAGE>

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